

Veto Saves Sales
Tax, But Property

Tax Reform Needed

Once you begin exempting commodities from the state sales tax you will destroy the tax itself, with mortal injury to the public schools and welfare agencies — a fact Governor Francis Cherry clearly recognized Tuesday in vetoing a highly-publicized tax-exemption bill.

The bill which he killed proposed to exempt feed, seed, and fertilizer from the 2% sales tax. As a country merchant told this newspaper, and we reported in this column, no rural store with limited bookkeeping facilities could possibly undertake to keep separate records for taxable sales and those non-taxable. The effect of this exemption bill, had it become law, would have been to kill out all sales tax revenue except from the larger cities and towns.

Governor Cherry estimated the measure would have cost the state government 1/2 to 2 million dollars a year, and he warned that if he were pressured into signing it he would have to veto 2 millions in appropriations. But the long-range effect of signing it would have been an incalculable disaster — so heavily do the state and local governments lean on the sales tax.

This in itself is a dangerous situation. Because local government does not assess and collect a reasonable property tax every school district in Arkansas remains constantly obligated to the state and the state-wide politicians. Because we have signed away local responsibility for both budgets and tax revenues through sheer cowardice and indifference we are in danger of finally losing local authority to Little Rock and Washington — who because they draft the tax laws which contribute much of our local support wield increasing power in each local community.

Nowhere in America is the decline of local tax authority so marked as here in Arkansas — and unless our obsolete property tax structure, with its absurd system of elective tax assessors, is overhauled we may see local authority finally vanish. You don't elect the Federal Director of Internal Revenue — and no other tax system that is worth its salt operates under an elective plan.

37 New Cub Scouts Join Pack 62

Thirty seven new Cub Scouts were formally admitted to Pack 62 as "Bobcats" the first rank in Cub Scouting, at the first Pack meeting of the year. Fourteen other Cubs were awarded various advancements in their rank.

Norman Moore, Cubmaster, and Teddy Jones, advancement chairman, awarded Bobcat pins to the following boys:

Joe Vick Dugan, Jimmy Hartfield, Tony McLaury, Roy Allison, Bill Anderson, Paul Edward Cobb, Ronny Hawkins, Bill Johnson, Joe Mason, Guy Watkins, Jr.

Jimmy Barrentine, Eddie Turney, Tommy Mosley, David Portersfield, Roy Wray, Buddy Anthony, John Crain, David Ficks, Leon Prince, Vincent Foster, Jr., John O'Dell, Duval Moore, Jamie Blackwood, Robert Malcolm, Eddie, Carl Rogers, James Tollett, John Tollett, Larry Walker.

Ben G. Waller, Joe Roy Aitchley, David Guerin, Ronald Jones, Robert Murphy, Coy Zumwalt, Tommy Jones, Teddy Messer, Joe Shuford and Ford Ward.

Donald Ogleby, Jack May, John Crain, Ben G. Waller and Phillip Gilliam were advanced from Bobcat to Wolf rank. For extra credits Ben Waller received a gold arrow point for his Wolf Badge; Odie and a silver arrow point for the Wolf Badge; David Washburn a gold arrow point for the Wolf Badge.

David Moore, Larry Gaines and Richard Laughlin were advanced to Wolf rank. Bear rank, and David Jones also received one gold and a silver arrow points for the Wolf Badge. Teddy Jones, Jr. received a two-year service star.

Iyavians Hear Montgomery

The Rev. C. M. Montgomery, pastor of First Baptist Church, Birmingham, and his wife, Mrs. Montgomery, and their two sons, Dr. Lawrence, 18, and Dr. Howard, 16, recently returned from a vacation in the Bahamas. The couple and their two sons were joined by Dr. Lawrence's wife, Mrs. Lawrence, and their two sons, Dr. Howard's wife, Mrs. Howard, and their two sons, Dr. Lawrence and Dr. Howard.

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Young Marine

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John McManus, father of the young Marine, told newsmen after the first plane last night he would not be involved in the shooting.

"My son, he's in real trouble," said McManus.

McManus was picked up by a 17-year-old Summerville boy who said he was his wife's companion in a stolen red convertible near here yesterday.

He and the young Marine, 19, Monday night after a drive from Camp Lejeune, confessed shooting the attorney Braverman in, near New York. Friday afternoon, Braverman's 103-year-old son, McManus, said he had the body in a ditch about 10 miles outside the city and covered it with dirt.

Summerville, N. Y., authorities were searching for McManus' youth's body on the Long Island Expressway when he telephoned last night to Martin and McManus.

Both men denied they were involved in the killings.

Leahy, Benton, wife of a man Valley, Minn., cafe owner, and Harriet Horsman, 40, in the all-night cafe, said

George N. Bloomberg, 60, and

John Toronto, 55, Saturday in garage they operated at

Waukegan, Ill., about 20 miles

of Chicago.

Both also confessed that

they had a couple of \$10 near

Chicago Sunday night and stole them.

McManus said he was holding

out for the command of armed

forces in connection with the

U.S. holdup. But he said that

New York, Illinois and Minnesota

officers when they drove

to Chicago, he was told that the

U.S. charge of "waver."

McManus, who had authority

joined the Marines with his

own permission last June, was

asked yesterday if he was his

wife's killer. He said he was

missing since she left home

Friday night.

He refused to say if he did

these things to save my wife

and me. The judge said his

wife and I were staying out

and did not know about the murder near Rochester.

House Approves

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granted the states the right to police and impose severance taxes on petroleum production in the continental shelf beyond the states' historic boundaries.

Louisiana and Texas congressmen led the opposition to the amendment, which was accepted by such a loud shout that the opposition did not ask for a standing count.

As the House met to take final action on its own formal debate on the bill, opened formal debate on the Communist proposals, was persuaded to wait. This means that an apparent attempt to switch truce negotiations from Korea to the U. S. may be put off until next week.

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Boyle

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divot in the White House lawn, he yells, "Why should I have to pay for my grass need?"

3. The Social-Climbing Bartender — This stuffed shirt gives the idea he spends his mornings in Wall Street and his weekends playing polo with the Astorables. You have to show your Dan & Bradstreet rating before he will wait on you — and then he serves a martini with his thumb in it instead of an olive.

4. The Smug Young Mother — She is sure that life and child-birth began with her, and the Lord hung out the sun merely to dry her laundry line. Any woman who doesn't spend every minute in her home prodding her baby is a dolt, up envious old maid. All this young woman needs, however, is two more kids to make her a swell human being again.

5. The World-Saver S. S. — This joker can't cure himself of a common cold, but he is certain he has worked out a solution for all the ills that ever plagued mankind. If you don't have your car keys handy, the only way to deal with this verbal gusher is to tell him you're selling life insurance.

But stuffed shirts serve a healthy purpose. If there weren't a few around to remind us that beauty is better than vanity, well — we'd probably all be stuffed shirts, boring each other to death to the tune of our own vocal chords.

Van Fleet

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would not slow down the inquiry into why it ever existed.

He said that shortages during the 22 months that Van Fleet led the Eighth Army had caused restrictions or limitation upon the fighting "men in the frontlines."

Another member, Sen. Byrd (D-Va.) asserted he was not going to let the Pentagon leaders make the inquiry an occasion for demanding huge additional appropriations. He commented: "They always do when we start a congressional investigation."

Van Fleet already has a unanimous vote of the full armed services group supporting his shortage testimony despite differing testimony by Gen. J. Lawton Collins, Army chief of staff, and Gen. Mark Clark, present Japan-Korea theater commander.

Seeks to

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of the offer, because the Chinese "are leading through strength." Red forces last week mounted their heaviest Korean attacks in five months.

Lyle told the House: "The aggressors are much too flushed with undeserved success to sensibly consider an honorable and lasting end to the war. We can never satisfy their appetite for war until we

Clark

Indicates

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echoed throughout the world. Developments included:

Moscow—the Soviet Russian government announced its full support of the Chinese Communist and North Korean proposals and said it is prepared fully to cooperate in attaining peace.

United Nations, New York, which had intended to demand an immediate full-dress debate on the Communist proposals, was persuaded to wait. This means that an apparent attempt to switch truce negotiations from Korea to the U. S. may be put off until next week.

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By GEORGE MCARTHUR

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NEW YORK STOCKS
NEW YORK (UPI) — The stock market steadied itself today after two days of severe decline.

The full was set off by Communist peace gestures in Korea.

That aroused Wall Street fears of the impact on the nation's economy and uncertainties surrounding the defense spending program.

Price changes today were fractional.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE
CHICAGO (UPI) — Live poultry: steady to firm; receipts 791 coops; F.O.B. paying prices unchanged except on heavy hens 1/2 cent a pound lower inside; heavy hens 31.5-34; light hens 24-25; fryers or broilers 24-36; old roosters 19-21; ducklings 31.

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was the state's take resulted from a total wager of \$13,493,975. The corresponding total last year was \$13,040,020.

Attendance at the extended meet this year was 241,703, against 233,045 in 1952.

A new racing law passed this year extended the season by one day.

Several Keys

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on to add that the Chinese and North Korean Communists should be represented at the United Nations in order to make it easier to reach an agreement.

The reaction of authorities here was that if this reference to Red Chinese membership in the U. N. is just a "plot's hope," as seems likely, it would not make any great difference to truce prospects.

But if this is being thrown out by Molotov as a condition of a truce in Korea then as one informant commented, "we're right back where we started."

Early in the peace negotiations the U. S. and Allied governments took the position that Red China would not be permitted to shoot its way into the U. N. — that its relationship with the U. N. could be considered only after peace in Korea had been restored.

Molotov's statement was the first official Soviet comment on the latest Korean developments. It appeared in the form of a foreign ministry announcement issued through the official Soviet news agency Tass and broadcast by Moscow radio.

Molotov said the Soviet government "recognizes the complete justice" of the new proposals "and expresses its readiness to fully assist" in realizing them.

There have been two proposals—one from North Korea for the exchange of sick and wounded prisoners, and another from Chou En-Lai in Peking for the repatriation of other prisoners of war. Under the latter proposal prisoners unwilling to return home would be handled by neutrals.

Ancient machines for throwing projectiles were so effective that the first crude cannon appeared

also them more than they can take."

The proposed congressional resolution that would eliminate the "unreasonable demagogic and senseless" restrictions on military imports in Korea has been introduced in the Senate and military leaders would like to see it passed.

MARKETS

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was the state's take resulted from a total wager of \$13,493,975. The corresponding total last year was \$13,040,020.

Attendance at the extended meet this year was 241,703, against 233,045 in 1952.

A new racing law passed this year extended the season by one day.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE
CHICAGO (UPI) — Live poultry: steady to firm; receipts 791 coops; F.O.B. paying prices unchanged except on heavy hens 1/2 cent a pound lower inside; heavy hens 31.5-34; light hens 24-25; fry

Bigger-Happy Killer Sought 3 States

WICHITA, KAN. (UPI) — In three states, faced with a killer, in 48 hours, the law may be dealing with a bigger killer.

Police believed the gunman was an untrained amateur who held up a victim in a house or a movie who shot him in cold blood.

Dupage County Sheriff George Hall said he sent a mobile laboratory crew to the State Crime Laboratory in Chicago and believed it would be back later today.

Police, taken from the scene, were found in Keene, Ill., where a middle-aged man was murdered Saturday, compared with another, an old man found at an all-night bar where two women were found yesterday.

Authorities believed that if the killings were committed by the same killer, might be a man who had a hiker, who had a handgun, a couple of dollars and some cash Sunday.

Reports were not up as of 11 p.m. to look for a "bright" killer, seen riding a motorcycle, the murder scene here.

DeKalb County Sheriff Don W. Bunting said the murders and there were strong indications that the killings were unconnected with the Illinois information.

He said, "I could very easily believe the same gunman was involved in both cases, but there is no way to tell for sure."

John Harrison, 48, a 10-year-old Indian who died yesterday when he suffered a heart attack, said the body will be in state so everybody can see him, especially the kids, whom he loved.

Harrison said the Helms Athlete Foundation and a mercury operator, David J. Malloy, would make the funeral arrangements soon.

Thorpe's widow, Patricia, sent a telegram to Gov. Johnston Murray of Oklahoma concerning a reported movement to return the body of the Indian athlete to his native state for burial.

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Gains From Armistice Offer Studied

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (AP) — What would the Communists gain by agreeing to United Nations terms and a Korean truce? Since they let the killing go on so long, there'd have to be a reason, probably several reasons.

All of them can only be guessed at. It is significant that Chou En-lai, the Chinese premier, and foreign minister, talked peace directly after returning from Moscow where Premier Malenkov is trying to fill Stalin's shoes.

Three main possible reasons come to mind: (1) ease the strain on Russia; (2) ease the strain on China; and (3) try to split or weaken the Allies by making them feel there's less need for haste in rearming.

No. 1 The war has burdened the United States, and to a lesser degree its allies, in men killed and wounded and supplies used up. Steel for a tank means less steel for civilians.

Naturally, the Allied peoples have been more aware of the burden on them than of what the war

was costing Russia and China. Russia supplied equipment to the Chinese who did the dying.

But the more Russia's material wealth was squandered on the battlefield, the less it had for its own armament or civilian needs. But Malenkov is new and, so far as the Russian people are concerned, untested.

It's to his interest to win the good will and confidence of the Russians. If he could bring peace where Stalin couldn't or wouldn't, Malenkov at one stroke might feel it made him seem wiser or, at least, better-intentioned.

He also has some problems: establishing firm control at home and keeping the satellites in line. He wants no more Titos. His begun making cooling peace sounds from the moment Stalin died.

No. 2. Mao Tze-tung has had almost no peace since Chiang Kai-shek broke with him and the other Communists in 1937, and especially since World War II and his own war on China.

Korea has been a training ground for his soldiers, but they have died there in bunches. Mao may desire peace, if only temporarily, to rebuild China as he could not while China's energies were absorbed by war.

And Russia has probably been selling Mao military supplies, not giving them away. Another strain.

No. 3. Korea in 1950 may have looked to the Communists like a simple pushover; preliminary to taking over the rest of the Asian mainland. They probably never dreamed the U. S. would react as it did, nor that it would doggedly stay in Korea in support of a principle.

Worse, from the Communists' standpoint, they probably did not figure the Korean outbreak would bring native United Nations support and would prod the Western

powers into a more active role.

Peace won't change the Communists or their ultimate intentions. Once peace came, the West's problem would be to stay prepared against achievement of those intentions, five years from now, or

20, or 50.

HOPE STAR, HOPE, ARKANSAS

Got an Idea How to Keep Ulcers Away

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Men, do you want a happier home? Want to head off those ulcers? Then get out in the kitchen and whip up a cheese souffle.

Or some veal scaloppini. Or just plain ham and eggs. American males will be happier and so will their families if the men did more cooking.

This advice comes from Edward Arnold, who has been cooking since the age of 12 and has the waistline to prove it. He's indeed a happy man, as you can tell

from his booming laugh.

To prove his theory, Arnold invited me for a lunch cooked by himself. When I arrived at his 10th story apartment he was attired in a big white apron and seemed to be having the time of his life. "Chicken's just about done," he said, waving as he peeked into the oven.

Also present was Mrs. Arnold, a pretty blonde of Italian descent who seemed to be tolerant of the whole situation. She said that her husband is an excellent cook, although he sometimes goes overboard on tossing in ingredients. "When I make a recipe the first time," he explained, "I follow the instructions to the letter. But the second time around, I like to improvise. I toss in whatever's handy — some herbs, a little wine, some curry powder."

It's the curry that Mrs. Arnold doesn't like. Nor will she allow him to tamper with her chicken cacciatore, spaghetti and other Italian dishes. No curry in those, thank you.

The lunch was delicious. Mixed green salad, broccoli with hollandaise sauce (dash of horseradish), red wine and a tasty chicken dish broiled with herbs and wine.

Arnold beamed over the compliments and exclaimed that other husbands should follow his example.

"Get out in the kitchen," he urged his fellow man. "It's a great thing for the family. It brings the husband and the wife closer together. The husband begins to understand his wife's problems, and he forgets about his. There's nothing like puttingter around the kitchen for making you forget the worries of the day."

Mrs. Arnold added a word of caution: "Of course, there are some women who don't want their husbands in the kitchen. That's understandable when you see the



These Days

E. Sokolsky

A FRIENDLY WITNESS

When Dr. Harry D. Gideonse, president of Brooklyn College, appeared before the Jenner Committee, he was what is called a friendly witness; that is, he sought to give the committee the benefit of 14 years of experience at this college.

These are not issues of freedom or of legal technicalities. Wholly apart from the provisions of the City Charter and from the flagrant disregard of the Board's specific instructions to co-operate with the legislative committee, this is clearly a matter of unprofessional conduct or, in the language of the governing statute, of "conduct unbecoming a teacher."

This seems to me to be a fair statement of the case. Yet, Dr. Gideonse also had this to say after he was asked if he would read the whole of this statement, of which the above is an excerpt, into the record:

"I would love to do so, but I want to tell you before I read it that I had the typical New York State difficulties with this statement. I was even told by one of the press services after they had had it read to them, that in their judgment, under some legal decisions in New York, this was a statement that would expose the press service to financial damages, and so forth. That is why they didn't run it. That gives you a picture . . ."

It certainly does give a picture of weak-minded, lawyer-solden reporting. There is a court decision in New York State that to call a person a Communist is libel per se. It is a stupid decision because it recognizes class privilege. It is impossible to call even a Fascist, a Democrat, a Republican, a Socialist, but not a Communist. The reason for the privilege appears in a long and not very logical opinion to which I for one, pay no attention because it is not in the public interest to give any political group such privileges. The newspapers have the First Amendment and American Juris to protect them,

the dismissal of teachers who refuse to testify before Congressional committees. In this statement, he said:

"These cases do not involve issues of academic freedom or freedom of thought. Twelve years ago two men swore in the Rapp-Coudert hearings that they were not members of the Communist Party. If they had now admitted that they were members of the Party, they would have raised a basic issue about their testimony before the Rapp-Coudert Committee. If they had repeated their previous testimony, they could foresee that testimony now available to the Senate subcommittee would make charges of perjury unavoidable. They therefore chose to appeal to the Fifth Amendment with a smoke-screen of language designed to make their action appear as a defense of freedom and democracy rather than a carefully planned avoidance of perjury charges.

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and that makes more sense than the other diets of ivory-tower judges who take doctrinaire views of pressing situations.

Yet the situation is as Dr. Gideonse described it and therefore the Congressional investigation is absolutely essential. By ordinary procedures, those who are subservient could live under the protection of the law and put decent citizens to great inconvenience for defending their country.

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Sun Exposure Can Lead to Trouble

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Persons who make a career of overexposing their skin to the sun, year after year, are setting indeed bagging, for trouble.

Deliberate exposure to sunlight is healthful and stimulating, but this amount is far exceeded by many persons in the sun-worshipping age in which we live.

Little Johnny, whose nose was red and peeling all summer long, year after year when he was a boy, can well look for a growth of horny tissue on that nose when he is 40 or 50. It may be the beginning of skin cancer.

Fishermen, yachtsmen, golfers, ranchers, farmers and plain sunbathers who overexpose hands, arms, face and neck to sunlight throughout the year may expect to see brown patches and dry wrinkle lesions on the exposed skin. Given sufficient time, they may develop into cancer.

This type of cancer is often quite unnecessary, and preventable, in large measure by wearing a hat, or a protective film of good sun-screen cream out in the bright sun on warm days.

Cancer of the skin is far more common in portions of the world where the percentage of sunny days is high.

Persons whose work takes them into the sun more often than others, such as farmers and sailors, develop skin cancer far more frequently than persons whose occupations keep them indoors. Negroes, whose skins are protected from the sun by natural pigment, rarely develop cancer of the skin. Persons with blonde or red hair or complexion with little ability to tan are particularly susceptible.

The most common and the most preventable of all cancers, skin cancer is also the most curable. It can be recognized easily in its earliest phases, even before it has assumed any opacity, for invading or destroying other tissue.

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